

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 562
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A RESOLUTION to honor and applaud Coach Jim Taylor and the Nashville Central Christian Warriors junior high school girls basketball team on winning the National Christian Homeschool Athletic Association National Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful sports teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Central Christian Warriors junior high school girls basketball program is renowned as a bastion of extraordinary athletic facility and competitive stature in the realm of homeschool sports; and

WHEREAS, an elite homeschool basketball program that emphasizes the noble character traits of unity, humility, and respect for authority, the program supports the decision of dedicated homeschool parents to educate their children at home, while allowing the students to utilize their God-given athletic abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Central Christian Warriors junior high school girls basketball team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2002-2003 season, establishing a record of 42-4 and winning the National Christian Homeschool Athletic Association National Championship Tournament; this is the second consecutive season in which this astounding team has claimed National Championship honors; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding team also won the Metro Baptist Tip-Off Classic, the Hendersonville Christian Tournament, the NCC Holiday Invitational Tournament, the Homeschool State Tournament, and the National Christian Homeschool Athletic Association NET Regional Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Central Christian Warriors junior high school girls basketball team includes Ashley Adams, Kirby Coffeen, Christy Greer, Mary Heard, Claire Hooper, Alex Jarrell, Laura Lively, Rebekah Shaffer, Jana Sulfridge, Alicia Thomas, and Molly Verlin; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Jim Taylor has devoted himself completely to cultivating the natural talents of the Nashville Central Christian Warriors; he and his assistant, Chuck Adams, laid the groundwork for this extraordinary season by sharing with the young women on the team their substantial knowledge of basketball, their many years of coaching and athletic experience, and their passion both for the sport of basketball and for excellence in every endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Central Christian Warriors epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the court, even winning the Christian Character Award at both the Hendersonville Christian Tournament and the Grassland Invitational Tournament; and

WHEREAS, these young women have inspired their peers and united the entire homeschool community in completing their championship run through the 2002-2003 season; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible an excellent basketball season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future enterprise; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Nashville Central Christian Warriors for their remarkable performance throughout the 2002-2003 season and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the homeschooled youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we do hereby honor and congratulate Coach Jim Taylor and the Nashville Central Christian Warriors girls basketball team on their formidable basketball legacy, their individual and collective resolve, and their extraordinary 2002-2003 season, particularly noting their second consecutive victory at the National Christian Homeschool Athletic Association National Championship Tournament.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.